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INDICATIONS

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Per reftel request, on October 19, Post's Econ Officer hosted an outreach event for six officials from Suriname's Bureau of Intellectual Property and the Ministry of Trade and Industry. Post showed the video on geographical indications (GI). Following the video, EconOff discussed the U.S. position on the protection of trademarks and GI and explained the ongoing debate in the WTO. The participants agreed to take the U.S. position into consideration, but did not express a position. Post will report further any development of Suriname's position.

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